GENERAL TAYLOR.

RESOLUTIONS

OF

THE LEGISLATURE OF RHODE ISLAND,

Relative to General Taylor.

JULY 16, 1846.
Read, and laid upon the table.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS.

In General Assembly, June session, A. D. 1846.

Resolved, That the thanks of the people of the United States are due to General Zachary Taylor, commander of the American forces on the Rio Grande, for the skill and valor displayed by him in the battles of the Sth and 9th of May, 1846; which, directed as they were by a generous devotion to his country's cause, give him a high place in her affections, and in her military history.

Resolved, That while in common with our fellow-countrymen we render a cordial tribute of gratitude and honor to General Taylor, we are not insensible to the signal services of the officers and men who so gallantly sustained him, to whose brilliant courage, steady discipline, and prompt obedience to orders, we are indebted, under the guidance of their intrepid commander, for the trophies of Palo Alto and Resaca de la Palma, which, won under circumstances the most trying, have added a new lustre to the American name.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the families of those who fell in these conflicts, and with the gallant officers and men who are suffering from the wounds and casualties incident to the performance of their dangerous but patriotic duties; and that we hold that the government of the United States is bound by every principle of honor and gratitude to make provision for their relief and future adequate support.

Resolved, That his excellency the governor be requested to transmit a copy of these resolutions to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress, to be laid before the Senate and House of Representatives, and also copies to the President of the United States and to General Zachary Taylor, with the request to the last named officer that they be communicated to the officers and men under his command in such manner as he shall deem most expedient.

True copy of record:

HENRY BOWEN, Secretary of State.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, Providence, July 14, 1846.

Sir: In compliance with a resolution of the General Assembly of this State, I have the honor to forward to you the accompanying document.

With much respect, your obedient servant,

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Hon. Henry Y. Cranston, Representative, &c.